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Minnesota's House Minority Leader Melissa Hortman called out her colleagues for relaxing in an adjoining room while women of color spoke on pending legislation.

The House was debating a proposed change to laws governing public protests and the women argued the importance of preserving avenues by which the voices of people of color can be heard. Many men on the floor decided it was a debate they didn't need to hear.

When asked to apologize, Hortman said she had no intention of doing so.

We're excited to share that our 2017 Sacramento Symposium is coming up next month! The day-long event provides critical information, exploration, and connections to prospective candidates. Stay tuned for pictures and a debrief after the event. For sponsorship opportunities please contact Erin Mincberg at erin@erinmincberg.com

British Companies Must Reveal How They Pay Women vs. Men
"Putting pressure on employers to tackle the nation's gender pay gap, new rules taking effect on Thursday will require large companies to publish the average salaries of the men and the women they employ."
- NY Times, here

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